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Senate Chair, Joint Committee on Finance

Testimony of Senator Brian Burke Senate Bill 373

Before the Senate Committee on Economic Development, Housing and Government Operations

March 28, 2000

Chairman Wirch, members of the Committee, thank you for this opportunity to offer my support for Senate Bill 373. This bill would allow a change in the ownership of a municipal theater that is currently owned by a 1st class city. The legislation was drafted to apply specifically to the Captain Frederick Pabst Theater in Milwaukee.

This legislation would make a relatively simple statutory change which would allow the Theater to be transferred from the City of Milwaukee to an entity which is more representative of the Milwaukee theater community. The Theater is interested in making some renovations which will further restore this historic treasure, and a transfer of control from the City to an independent entity would serve to enhance fundraising efforts to more aggressively pursue those changes. This transfer would also assure the efficient use and maximum productivity of the Theater for Milwaukee's many community performing arts resources.

The creation of the new governing authority would be similar to the recent creation of the Wisconsin center District Board, which assumed control of the City of Milwaukee convention facilities. This proposal has the support of both Milwaukee County and the City of Milwaukee.

Thank you for your timely consideration of this matter. I appreciate your support for this important legislation.



TO: Members of the Senate Committee on Economic Development, Housing and Government Operations

FROM: Charlane O'Rourke, Executive Director Pabst Theater

DATE: 3/28/00

The Pabst Theater Board is requesting your support of Senate Bill 373 which would allow us to consider a potential transfer of the theater's ownership to another entity. The Pabst Board has the full endorsement of Milwaukee's Common Council and Mayor for this enabling legislation and we are not aware of any opposition. This is one of the first steps in the process. Prior to a next step to be taken, there would be a detailed contractual agreement, from an entity that would accept the theater. This agreement would be presented to the Pabst Board, the Common Council, and the Mayor, allowing everyone an opportunity to review the proposal before a decision be made.

The motivation for this bill is to enhance the fundraising capabilities of our capital campaign. The governance of the theater has been an issue with some foundations and corporations. Our board has felt it necessary and important to begin this potential consideration of a transfer of ownership at this time.

We thank you for your support of this legislation.